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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: O' Hagan et al. Examiner: Zachariah Lucas

Serial No.: 10/554,625 Group Art Unit: 1648

Filing Date: March 21, 2007 Confirmation No.: 7269

Title: COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING CATIONIC

MICROPARTICLES AND HCV E1E2 DNA

AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Reply to Restriction Requirement is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2009 for the above-referenced patent application. An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.